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BLACKHAWK

THE MASTER INVASION WAS ON! FROM OVER THE BORDER THE RED JUGGERNAUT OF DESTRUCTION THUNDERED DOWN THE KNOI VALLEY TOWARD TABRIZ! AND THE IRANIAN ARMY WATCHED HELPLESSLY... FOR TO FIGHT BACK MEANT INSTANT DEATH TO THE VALIANT BLACKHAWKS! THUS, WAS THE ACE CARD OF BATTLE IN THE HANDS OF THE RUTHLESS COMMIE AGENT, **SABO TEUR...**

MALENKOV'S MERCHANT OF MURDER

DON'T
SACRIFICE
YOURSELVES FOR
US BLACKHAWKS!
SHOOT! FIRE AT
WILL!

B-BUT WE
CAN'T FIRE...
WE WILL KILL
THE BLACKHAWKS!



BLACKHAWK

IN THE GRIM LIGHT OF DAWN THE VALIANT BLACKHAWKS HUDDLE TENSELY IN A MAKE-SHIFT BUNKER ON THE BORDER OF IRAN!

WOBBLY WOES!
IS VELLY QUIET
FOR DANGEROUS
ENEMY TO BE
LURKING!

YES, CHOP CHOP, THERE'S
HARDLY A FEELING OF
INVASION IN THE AIR!
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND
IT, GANG! OUR UNDER-
COVER INFORMATION
DEFINITELY POINTED
TOWARD A RED IN-
VASION AT THIS POINT
ON THE BORDER!



MAIS OUI, MON AMI,
PERHAPS ZEE RED
PLANS HAVE BEEN
CHANGED,
BLACKHAWK!

ANDRE...
QUIET! I SEE
SOMETHING!



OUR CALCULATIONS WERE
RIGHT! A RED TANK...MOVING
IN FROM THE NORTHERN
BORDER RIDGE! ON YOUR
TOES, GANG!



LET'S GO! FOLLOW ATTACK PLAN K
TO THE LETTER... IT'S OUR ONLY CHANCE
TO BEAT BACK THE GREAT ODDS AGAINST
US!

JA, BLACKHAWK! VE VILL
SEND DER RED BUTCHERS
CRAWLING BACK TO DERE
NEST!

YOU BET,
HENDRICKSON!



STEADILY, THE RED SPEARHEAD MOVES FORWARD!
CLOSER... CLOSER COME THE INVADERS...

RIGHT TREAD!
FASTER! FASTER!

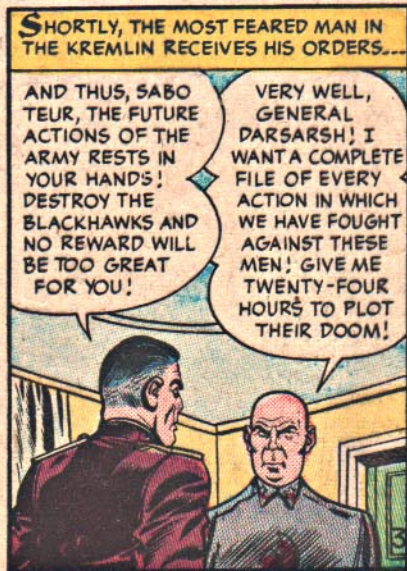


SUDDENLY...

HAWK-A-A!

YIIII! THE
BLACKHAWKS!
HERE! HERE!
ON THE RIGHT
FLANK!

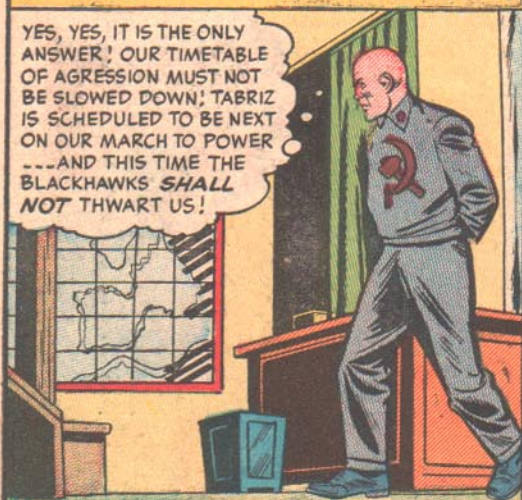




BLACKHAWK

HOUR AFTER HOUR, THE RED MASTERMIND OF MURDER SCHEMES THE DOWNFALL OF THE BLACKHAWKS!

YES, YES, IT IS THE ONLY ANSWER! OUR TIMETABLE OF AGRESSION MUST NOT BE SLOWED DOWN! TABRIZ IS SCHEDULED TO BE NEXT ON OUR MARCH TO POWER... AND THIS TIME THE BLACKHAWKS **SHALL** NOT THWART US!

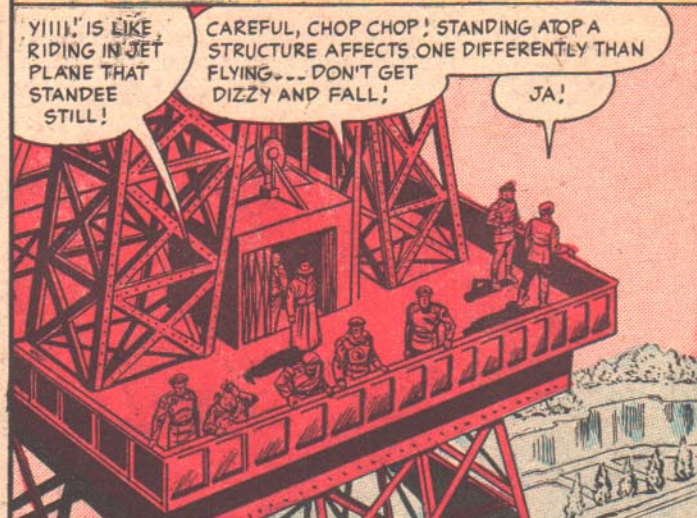


LATER, AS THE BLACKHAWKS TAKE A REST FROM BATTLE IN PARIS...

YIIII! IS LIKE RIDING IN JET PLANE THAT STAND EEE STILL!

CAREFUL, CHOP CHOP! STANDING ATOP A STRUCTURE AFFECTS ONE DIFFERENTLY THAN FLYING... DON'T GET DIZZY AND FALL!

JA!



SUDDENLY...

ANDRE! THAT MAN... HE'S VASNISH, THE NOTORIOUS RED AGENT THE WORLD COURT HAS BEEN SEEKING FOR SABOTAGE!

SACRE BLEU! YOU ARE CORRECT, BLACK-HAWK!



GOT TO GET HIM QUICKLY... BEFORE HE'S AWARE OF ME... OH, OH! HE'S SPOTTED ME!

B-BLACKHAWK!



YOU HAVEN'T GOT A CHANCE, VASNISH, YOU'RE TRAPPED A THOUSAND FEET ABOVE THE STREET!

I AM NEVER TRAPPED, BLACKHAWK!



GAMES OVER, PAL!

C-CURSE YOU, BLACKHAWK!



SUDDENLY, THE TRAPPED SABOTEUR SHAKES HIMSELF FREE AND...

OH-H-H!

YOU FOOL, VASNISH! LOOK OUT!





THEN, SUDDEN DEATH WAITS FOR THE RED AGENT AS HE FALLS BACKWARD!

YUMPIN' YIMINY, BLACKHAWK, YOU COULD NOT HELP HIM!

MON DIEU!

T-TOO LATE!



IS STANGE BOOK FALL FROM AGENT'S POCKET, BLACKHAWK!

OH, LET'S HAVE A LOOK! THANKS, CHOP CHOP!



GREAT CATS, GANG! THIS IS IT... A BREAKDOWN ON THE RED TIMETABLE OF AGGRESSION! LET'S GET BACK TO OUR APARTMENT FAST AND CHECK THIS THING CAREFULLY!

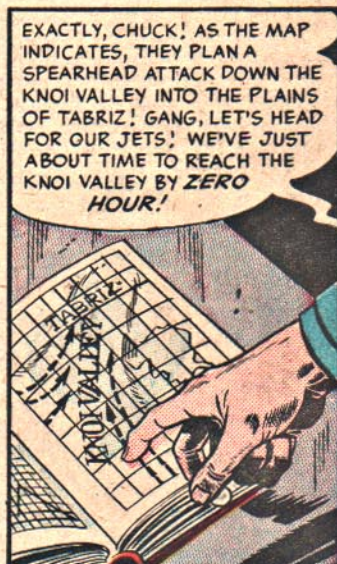
AH, ZE AGENT EES DEAD, BUT HE LEAVES BEHIND HEEM ZE TELLTALE FACTS!



THAT EVENING...

GANG, LADY LUCK HAS CERTAINLY PLAYED INTO OUR HANDS! VASNISH HAD THE PLANS FOR AN ATTACK MONDAY NOON AGAINST THE CITY OF TABRIZ! WE HAVE IN OUR HANDS THE ACTUAL RED ARMY BLUEPRINTS FOR AGGRESSION!

SUFFERING HANNAH, BLACKHAWK! THEN WE CAN LAY A TRAP... SMASH THEM HERE AS WE DID ON THEIR LAST BORDER ATTACK!



EXACTLY, CHUCK! AS THE MAP INDICATES, THEY PLAN A SPEARHEAD ATTACK DOWN THE KNOI VALLEY INTO THE PLAINS OF TABRIZ! GANG, LET'S HEAD FOR OUR JETS! WE'VE JUST ABOUT TIME TO REACH THE KNOI VALLEY BY ZERO HOUR!



HOURS AFTERWARD, AS THE BLACKHAWK JETS WHIP THROUGH THE AIR ABOVE THE KNOI VALLEY...

THUNDERATION, GANG! THEY MUST HAVE MOVED THEIR ZERO HOUR UP... A GARRISON OF THE IRAN ARMY IS ALREADY ENGAGING THE REDS! WING DOWN FOR A LANDING... OVER!



TENSE SECONDS LATER...

LET'S GO, GANG! HIT 'EM HARD!

I BAN THINK THE IRANIAN ARMY GLAD TO SEE US!

ABRUPTLY, THE IRAN SOLDIERS APPEAR TO RALLY AS THE BLACKHAWKS JOIN THEM!



THEN, SUDDENLY...

NOW! SEIZE THE SWINE, BLACKHAWKS!

CLAZY SOLDIERS... THEY FLIGHT OWN FLIENDS!

WHA...? ROARING JETS! THEY'RE...



---REDS--- OH-H-H!

EXCELLENT! BIND THEM TIGHTLY! TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION! REMEMBER, THESE MEN HAVE OUTWITTED OUR CLEVEREST AGENTS!



SABO TEUR... THE BRUTAL TOP TERRORIST OF THE RED SECRET POLICE!



PRECISELY, BLACKHAWK! A PITY MY OTHER GOVERNMENT DUTIES PREVENTED ME FROM APPREHENDING YOU SOONER! HOW SIMPLE IT WAS... A DOUBLE TO LOOK LIKE OUR AGENT, VASNISH, AND A FAKED PLAN OF AGRESSION DROPPED AT YOUR FEET BROUGHT YOU SPEEDING INTO MY TRAP! TAKE THEM TO GENERAL DARSARSH!



I WILL RETURN SHORTLY!

I-IT'S MY FAULT, GANG! I... SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT FINDING A WAR PLAN BOOK WAS TOO BIG A STROKE OF LUCK JUST TO BE COINCIDENCE!

NO, BLACKHAWK, DON'T BLAME YOURSELF! WE ALL SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE CLEVER THAN TO FALL FOR A TREEK LIKE ZAT...



...EET EES ZE FIENDISH SKILL OF SABO TEUR ZAT HAS DOWNED US! WE COULD NOT KNOW ZAT HE WAS ON OUR TRAIL!

ANDRE IS RIGHT, BLACKHAWK! HAD WE KNOWN THAT CRAFTY CHARACTER WAS IN ON THE ACT, WE MIGHT HAVE BEEN PREPARED FOR JUST SUCH A DECEPTION!

THANKS... GANG!



DEEP INTO RED TERRITORY THE BLACKHAWKS ARE SPED BY THEIR JUBILANT RED CAPTORS! FINALLY...

SO! THE GREAT, THE MIGHTY, THE INVINCIBLE BLACKHAWKS ARE AT LONG LAST CRUSHED IN THE IRON FIST OF RED MIGHT! HA! SABO TEUR IS INDEED A MASTER OF TRICKY DECEPTION!



BLACKHAWK



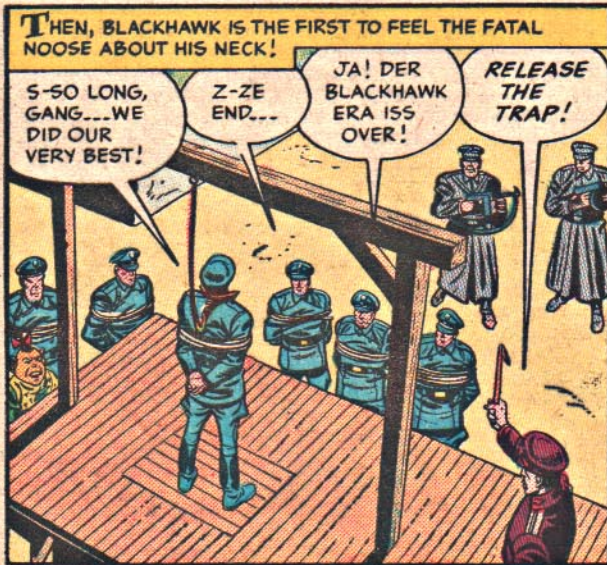
HOW LONG, BLACKHAWK? HOW LONG HAVE YOU LURKED ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF OUR BORDERS, *SNOOPING, THRUSTING, TORMENTING* US AS WE MOVED TO GIVE LITTLE REPUBLICS THE GLORIOUS GIFT OF COMMUNISM?

YOU WOULDN'T DARE DO THAT IF MY HANDS WEREN'T TIED, AND ONE DAY SOON I'LL PROVE THAT!



ONE DAY *INDEED!* YOU FOOL! DO YOU THINK I WOULD RISK YOUR ESCAPE BY MERELY HOLDING YOU IN PRISON! *HA!* TOO MANY TIMES BEFORE HAVE YOU ELUDED US! *THE BLACKHAWKS DIE NOW! TAKE THEM TO THE GALLOWS!*

I-IT BAN LOOK LIKE THE FINISH!



THEN, BLACKHAWK IS THE FIRST TO FEEL THE FATAL NOOSE ABOUT HIS NECK!

S-SO LONG, GANG...WE DID OUR VERY BEST!

Z-ZE END...

JA! DER BLACKHAWK ERA ISS OVER!

RELEASE THE TRAP!



GENERAL DARSASH'S ARM MOVES...THE TRAP SNAPS OPEN! SUDDENLY, A RIFLE BULLET RENTS THE AIR...



WHA...? SABO TEUR SAVING BLACK-HAWK!

WAIT, MY GENERAL, THERE IS GOOD CAUSE FOR MY ACTIONS!

SABO TEUR! HAVE YOU GONE MAD? WHY? WHY DID YOU SHOOT HIM DOWN?



YOU HAVE A PLAN, SABO TEUR?

IT IS GOOD FOR OUR CAUSE THAT HE IS KEPT ALIVE, GENERAL!... INDEED I DO HAVE A PLAN!



BLACKHAWK

A MASTER PLAN OF INVASION THAT WILL INSURE OUR VICTORY WITH A MINIMUM OF CASUALTIES! AH, IT IS GOOD YOU LIVE, BLACKHAWK!

WHATEVER YOU'RE UP TO, I CAN'T DENY THAT, SABO TEUR! THANKS A LOT... FOR NOTHING!

GENERAL, I WANT YOUR TANK COMMANDERS AND ARMORED DIVISION OFFICERS SUMMONED! HURRY! WE MUST WASTE NO TIME! THE MOMENT IS RIGHT FOR THE INVASION OF TABRIZ!

OH!! SABO TEUR SOUND LIKE HE HAVE DANGEROUS SCHEME IN MIND!

OUI, CHOP CHOP, HE EES ZE CONFIDENT MAN! SACRE BLEU! WHAT COULD BE ZE PLOT?

HOURS LATER, AN IRANIAN ARMY SCOUT SPEEDS DOWN THE KNOI VALLEY!

RED TANKS, ARMORED UNITS, MOVING ACROSS THE BORDER AGAIN, SIR! THEY'RE ATTACKING IN FORCE!

BLAZING MOON TIDES! SO THE MONSTERS STILL SEEK TO ENSLAVE US, DO THEY! SOUND THE BORDER ALARM!

SHORTLY, THE GALLANT IRANIAN FORCES RACE TO BLOCK THE RED ADVANCE! SUDDENLY, THEIR EYES STARE IN DISBELIEF... THEIR WEAPONS HANG IN LIMP HANDS AS...

IRANIAN SOLDIERS! DON'T SACRIFICE YOUR COUNTRY FOR US! WE WON'T BE SHIELDS FOR THE REDS! SHOOT BACK! FIRE AT WILL!

YIIII! T-THE BLACKHAWKS ARE HELPLESS! WE WILL SHOOT THEM I-IF WE FIRE AGAINST THE REDS!

W-WHAT CAN WE DO?



T-THEY'RE HELPLESS! THE IRANIANS CAN'T STEM THE ADVANCE WITHOUT DESTROYING THE TANKS... A-AND THEY WON'T HIT US! I MUST DO SOMETHING! I MUST!

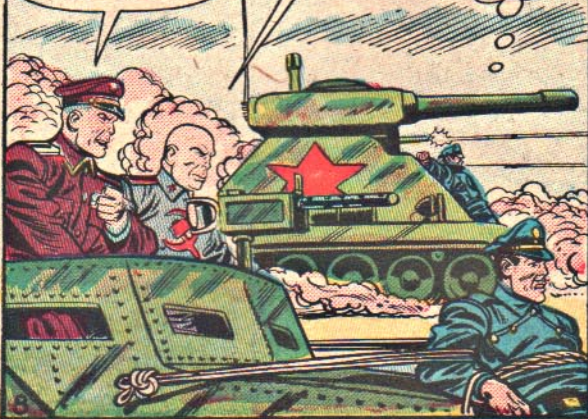
DESPERATELY, BLACKHAWK STRAINS AT HIS BONDS AS THE IRANIAN SOLDIERS HELPLESSLY ATTEMPT TO FIGHT WITHOUT KILLING THE VALIANT BAND!



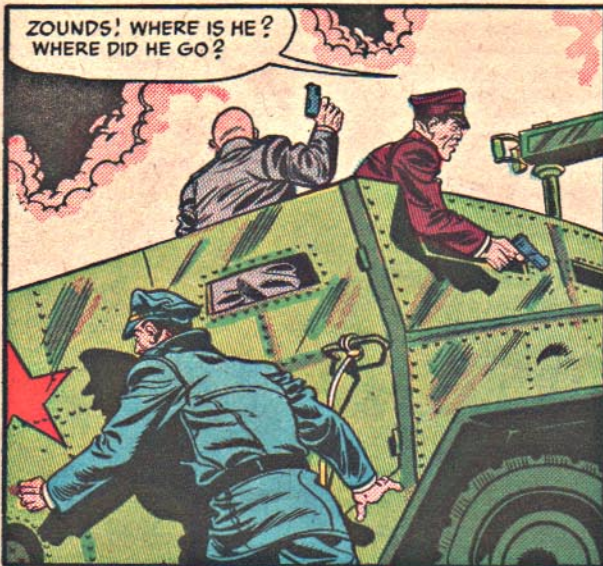
THE IRANIANS DARE NOT FIRE WHILE THE BLACKHAWKS STRUGGLE HELPLESSLY BEFORE THEM! GOOD WORK, SABO TEUR!

THANK YOU, GENERAL DARSARSH!

THERE IS ONE WAY... ONE WAY I MIGHT BREAK FREE...



BLACKHAWK





END OF THE LINE, SABO TEUR! THE KREMLIN CUT-THROATS WILL HAVE TO WAGE THEIR RED INTRIGUE WITHOUT YOU!

OOOF!



H-H-E'S BEEN HIT! I MUST RALLY OUR FORCES... WITH THE GENERAL DEAD ONLY I CAN LEAD THEM!

OH-H-H-H!



T-THE DEATH OF GENERAL DARSARSH HAS BROKEN THEIR SPIRIT... GOT TO STOP SABO TEUR BEFORE HE CAN RALLY THEM!

TAKE A STAND AGAINST THE SOUTH VALLEY WALL! STOP THEM! STOP THE IRANIANS!... WHA...? BLACKHAWK!



SHOOT HIM! SHOOT HIM, YOU FOOLS! HE'S OUT TO KILL ME!

HEADED FOR THE DAM TOP... ONE CHANCE IN A THOUSAND I'LL NAB HIM BEFORE HIS RED BUTCHERS CHOP ME DOWN...



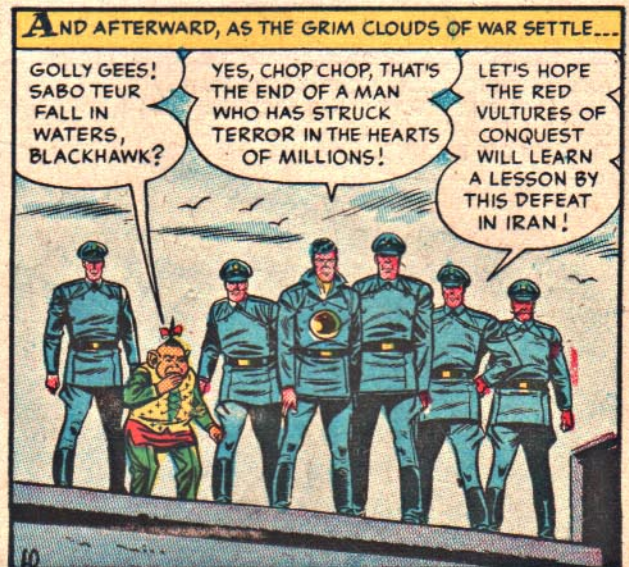
THEN, THE RED TANK CANNON SPITS SUDDEN DEATH AND...

MISSED ME SHOOTING HIGH... GREAT CATS! THAT BOULDER... IT'S GOT SABO TEUR'S NAME ON IT!



I BAN THINK THEY BEATEN NOW, ANDRE!

OUI, OLAF! ZE IRANIANS HAVE BROKEN ZERE RANKS BELOW!



GOLLY GEES! SABO TEUR FALL IN WATERS, BLACKHAWK?

YES, CHOP CHOP, THAT'S THE END OF A MAN WHO HAS STRUCK TERROR IN THE HEARTS OF MILLIONS!

LET'S HOPE THE RED VULTURES OF CONQUEST WILL LEARN A LESSON BY THIS DEFEAT IN IRAN!



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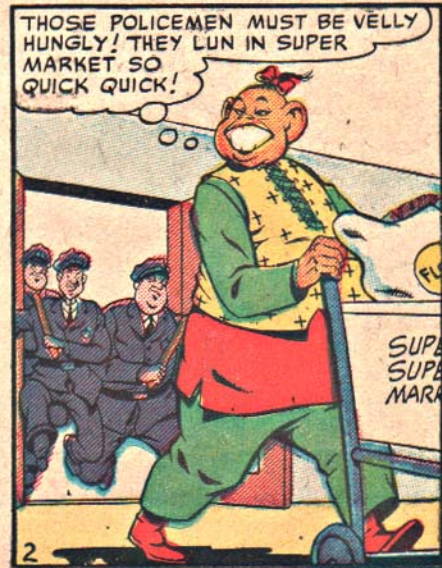
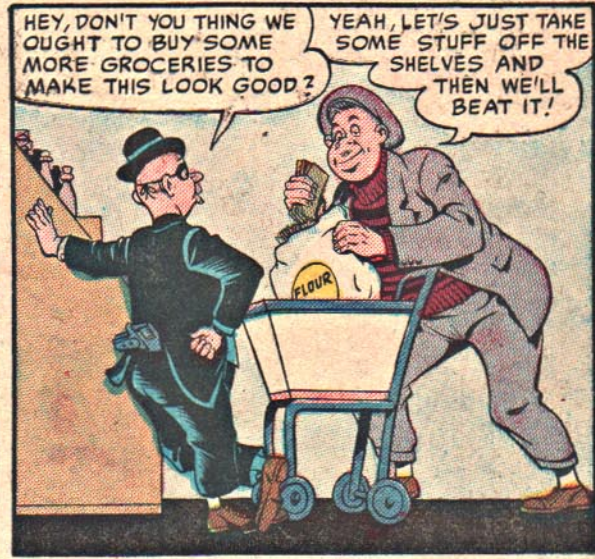
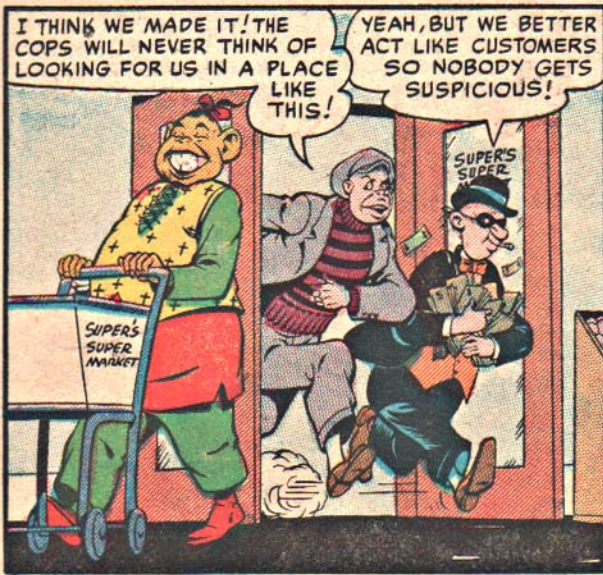
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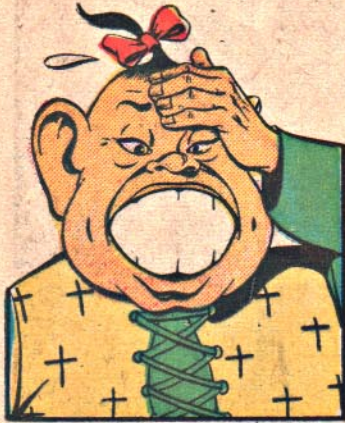
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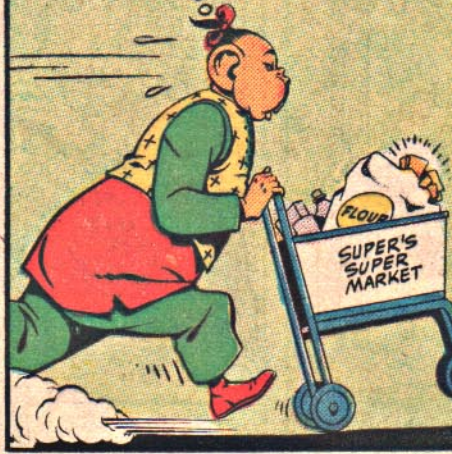




YIPES! MONEY IS IN FLOUR SACK! ULP! MAYBE POLICE THINK ME BE CLOOK!



ME PUT FLOUR BACK ON SHELF THEN EVERYTHING BE HOTSY-TOTSY!



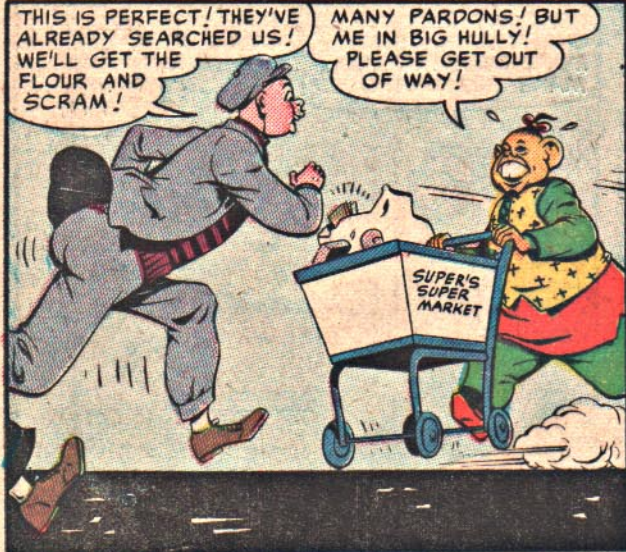
ME MUST PUT IT BACK BEFORE SEARCHING!

HEY! THERE'S OUR BAG OF FLOUR! SEE, THERE'S SOME MONEY STICKING OUT OF THE TOP OF IT!



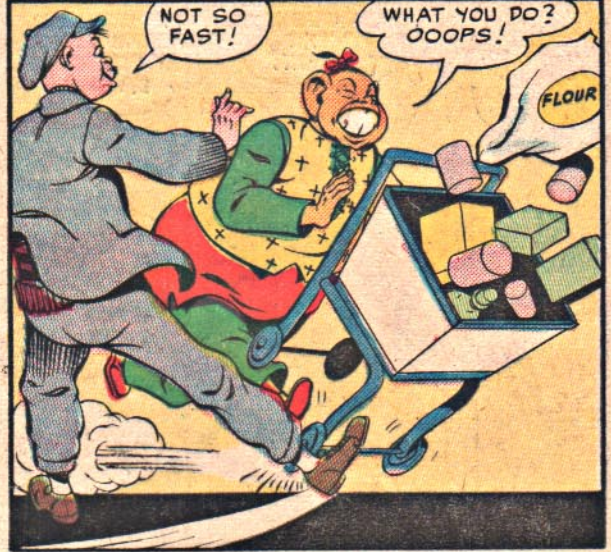
THIS IS PERFECT! THEY'VE ALREADY SEARCHED US! WE'LL GET THE FLOUR AND SCRAM!

MANY PARDONS! BUT ME IN BIG HULLY! PLEASE GET OUT OF WAY!



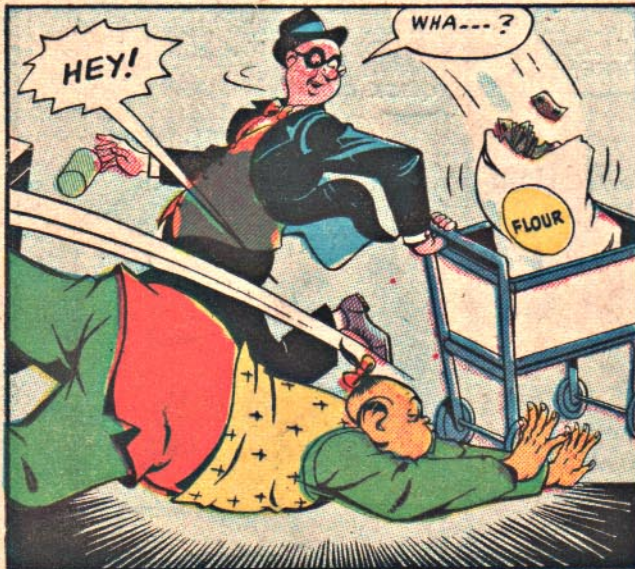
NOT SO FAST!

WHAT YOU DO? OOOPS!



HEY!

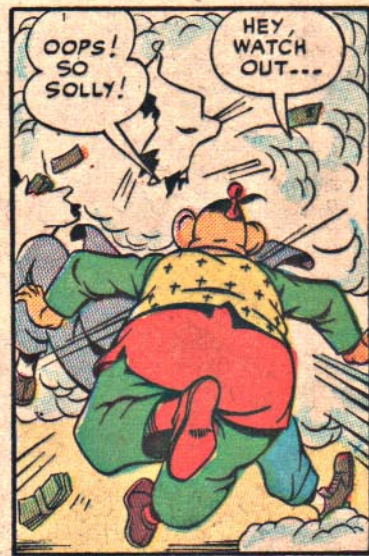
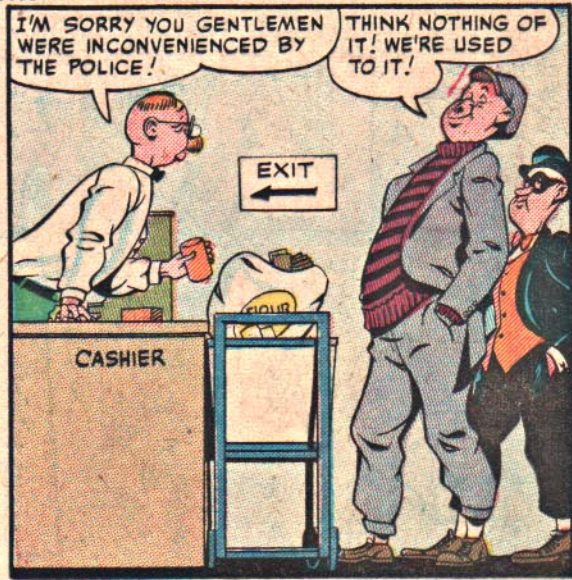
WHA---?



WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

THAT GUY'S BEEN ACTING SUSPICIOUS LIKE! I THINK HE'S YOUR MAN, OFFICER!

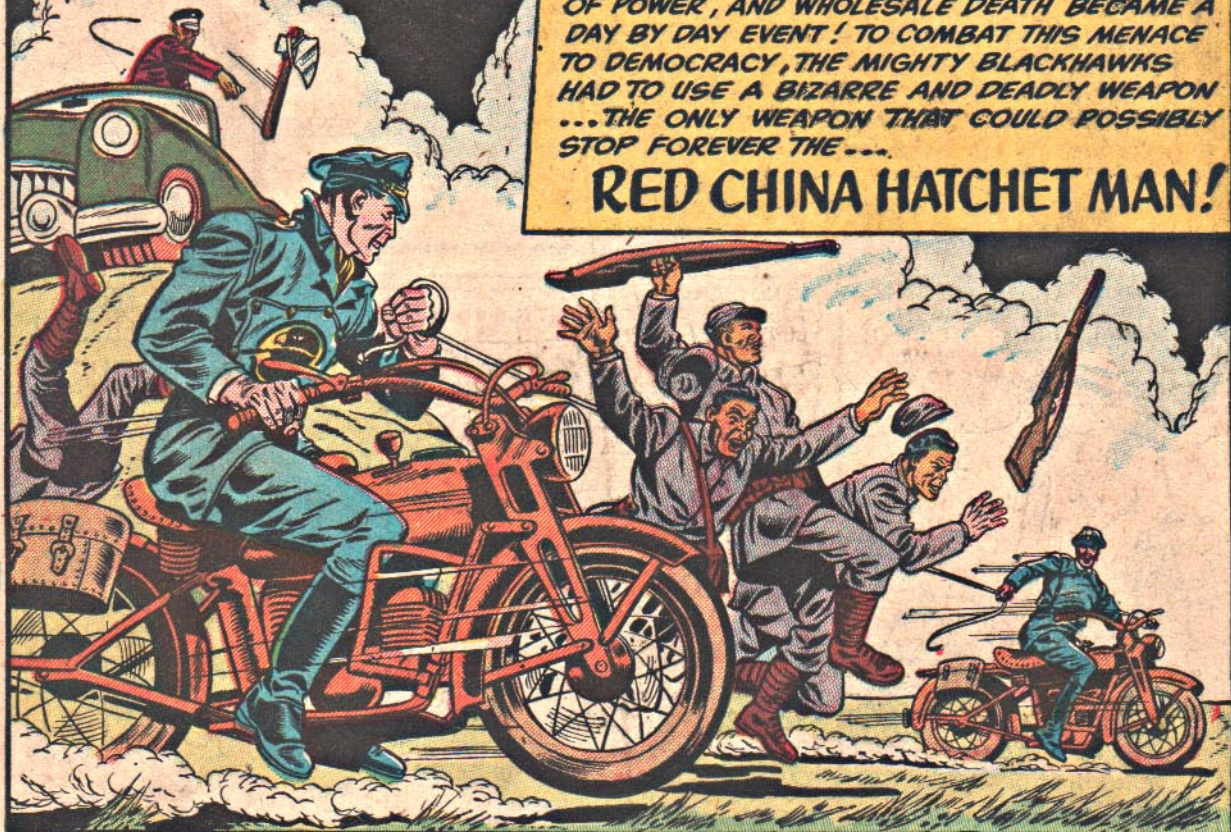




BLACKHAWK

BEHIND THE BAMBOO CURTAIN OF COMMUNIST CHINA, A MURDERER SUDDENLY BECAME A MAN OF POWER, AND WHOLESAL DEATH BECAME A DAY BY DAY EVENT! TO COMBAT THIS MENACE TO DEMOCRACY, THE MIGHTY BLACKHAWKS HAD TO USE A BIZARRE AND DEADLY WEAPON ...THE ONLY WEAPON THAT COULD POSSIBLY STOP FOREVER THE...

RED CHINA HATCHET MAN!



ON 'BLACKHAWK' ISLAND, THE CHAMPIONS OF FREEDOM HEAR A NEWS REPORT OF TERRIBLE SIGNIFICANCE...

TODAY COMRADE KLANG BECAME RED CHINA'S NEW HATCHET-MAN! HIS JOB... TO PURGE ALL CHINESE WHO HAVE NOT YET EMBRACED COMMUNISM!

AIEE! KLANG IS ONE TELLIBLE MAN!

YES, HE'S AN EXPERT FOR THE JOB! USED TO BE EXECUTIONER FOR A NOTORIOUS TONG! NOW HE'S THE RED LEGAL KILLER! IT'S BAD!



"IT'S BAD!" AN UNDERSTATEMENT, AS THE CRUEL KLANG BEGINS A RELENTLESS ROUNDUP OF CHINESE STILL LOYAL TO DEMOCRACY!

YOU CAN KILL US, BUT YOU CANNOT KILL AN IDEA! ONE DAY FREEDOM WILL BE CHINA'S...

SILENCE, DOG!





SILENCE!
A KEEN BLADE
WILL CUT OFF
YOUR BABBLE!



NO ONE DEFIES ME AND
LIVES! THE OTHER
PRISONERS MUST
LEARN THAT SWIFTLY!
EXECUTE THEM NOW...
AT ONCE!

Y-YES,
COMRADE
KLANG!

SO IT
STARTS,
THIS
TERROR,
THIS
DEATH
MARCH
OF
POLITICAL
PRISONERS
ORDERED
BY
KLANG,
THE
HATCHET
MAN!



**KILL!
KILL!**



AND ALL MEN LIKE THE BLACKHAWKS FEEL A NEED
FOR IMMEDIATE, VIOLENT ACTION!

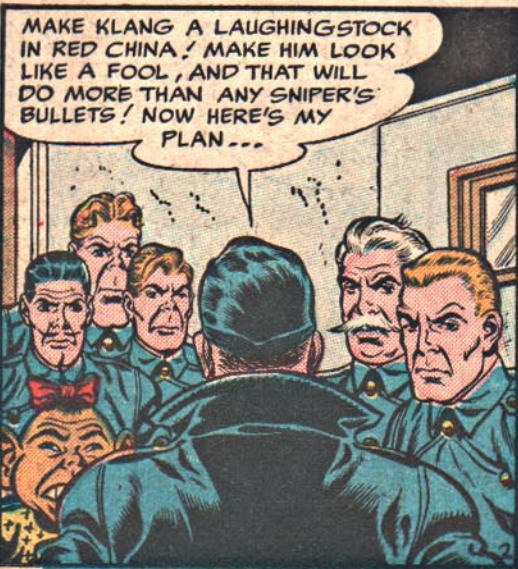
I'D LIKE TO KILL
THE MURDERING
BUTCHER!

EASY, STANIS-
LAUS... KILLING HIM WOULD
ONLY MAKE A MARTYR OF HIM!
IT WOULD PROVIDE THE REDS
WITH A REVENGE MOTIVE FOR
MURDERING MORE HOSTAGES!



MON DIEU,
BUT WE MUST
DO SOMETHING!

YES, ANDRE, AND I HAVE AN
ANSWER! ONE WEAPON ONLY
CAN DESTROY KLANG...
RIDICULE!



MAKE KLANG A LAUGHINGSTOCK
IN RED CHINA! MAKE HIM LOOK
LIKE A FOOL, AND THAT WILL
DO MORE THAN ANY SNIPER'S
BULLETS! NOW HERE'S MY
PLAN...



COMRADE
KLANG!
LOOK!

THE BLACKHAWKS!

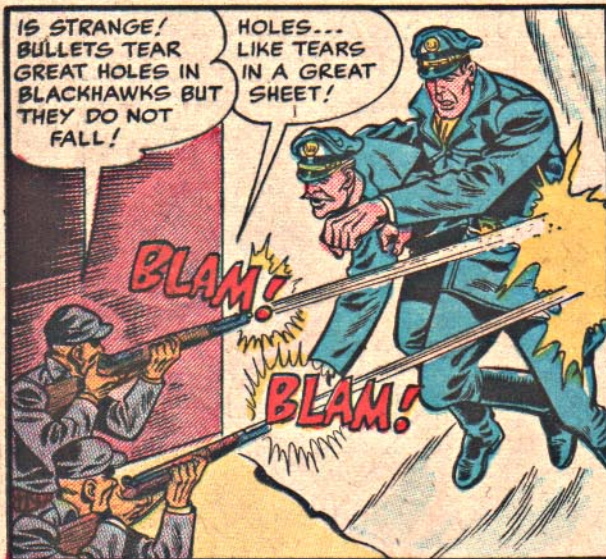


WH-WHAT HAPPENS! THEY ARE GROWING! THE BLACKHAWKS ARE GETTING BIGGER AND BIGGER!



AIEE! THEY HAVE BECOME GIANTS! SHOOT, GUARDS... SHOOT!

AIEEEE!



IS STRANGE! BULLETS TEAR GREAT HOLES IN BLACKHAWKS BUT THEY DO NOT FALL!

HOLES... LIKE TEARS IN A GREAT SHEET!

BLAM!

BLAM!



REGARD, COMRADE KLANG... A MOVIE PROJECTOR!

REAR-VIEW PROJECTION OF A PREPARED BLACKHAWK FILM ON THE SHEET! I HAVE BEEN TRICKED!



And the real Blackhawks, in person, are quietly at work while the movie has diverted Klang's attention!

THAT DOES IT, MEN! GET THOSE SHED DOORS OPEN PRONTO!



CLIMB ABOARD, EVERYBODY! THE FREE-DOM EXPRESS IS ABOUT TO TAKE OFF RIGHT ON SCHEDULE!



MISSION ACCOMPLISHED... BUT NOT WITHOUT A LITTLE TROUBLE!

PRISONERS ESCAPING! GUARDS! GUARDS!

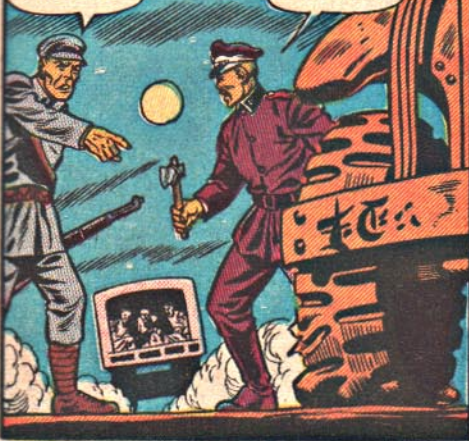
CHUCK, VE GIF DEM DER QUICK BRUSHOFF, YAH?

YEAH... AND THEN WE TAKE A RUSH-OFF, HENDRICK-SON!

BLACKHAWK

PURSUIT IS USELESS, COMRADE! THEY HAVE SLASHED TIRES OF ALL VEHICLES!

TEN THOUSAND CURSES ON THE BLACKHAWKS! THEY HAVE MADE A FOOL OF ME!



LATER, COMRADE KLANG RECEIVES A CALLING DOWN FROM A HIGH-PLACED RED OFFICIAL!

B-BUT, COMRADE GENERAL, I COULD NOT HELP IT...

FOOL! DO YOU REALIZE BY TOMORROW ALL CAPITALISTIC NEWSPAPERS WILL BE LAUGHING AT US FOR BEING TRICKED BY SUCH A RUSE? THIS MUST NOT HAPPEN AGAIN! *CLICK!*



THE BLACKHAWKS ARE TO BLAME FOR MY LOSING FACE! THEY WILL PAY... SOMEHOW THEY WILL PAY... DEARLY!



NEXT DAY

JUST WHAT I EXPECTED! IN RETALIATION KLANG IS MOVING ONTO THE NEXT VILLAGE TO CAPTURE MORE PRISONERS!

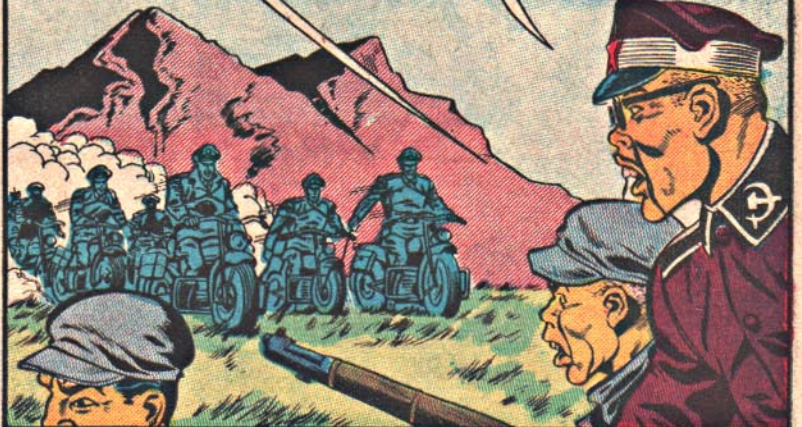
YA! NOW MY TANK WE WORK FAST ON NEXT PLAN AND GIVE PEOPLE CHANCE TO EVACUATE TOWN!



EXACTLY ONE HOUR LATER!

LOOK WHO APPROACH! THE BLACKHAWKS!

THE IDIOTS WILL TRY TO SPEED BY US! WHEN THEY DO, SHOOT THEM DOWN! EVERY LAST ONE!



OKAY, MEN... OPERATION CLOTHESLINE!

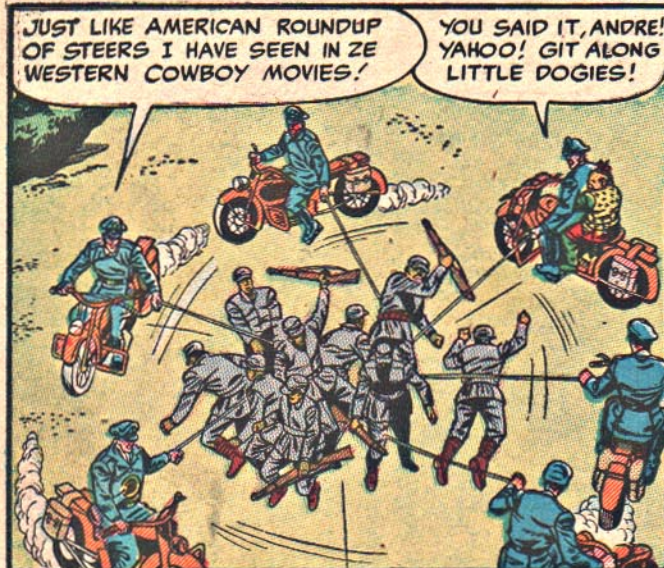


YIIII!

AIEEE!

OWOOO!





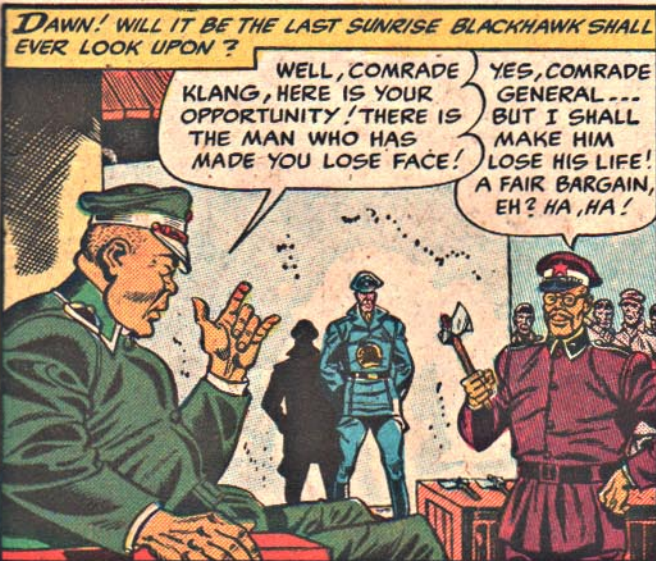


SPREAD THE NEWS! TOMORROW, AGAINST THAT WALL OF THE TANK SHED, I SHALL PERSONALLY FINISH BLACKHAWK'S CAREER WHILE THE GREAT COMRADE GENERAL WATCHES!

AND YOUR WEAPON, COMRADE?



IT SHALL BE MY HATCHET, OF COURSE!



DAWN! WILL IT BE THE LAST SUNRISE BLACKHAWK SHALL EVER LOOK UPON?

WELL, COMRADE KLANG, HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY! THERE IS THE MAN WHO HAS MADE YOU LOSE FACE!

YES, COMRADE GENERAL... BUT I SHALL MAKE HIM LOSE HIS LIFE! A FAIR BARGAIN, EH? HA, HA!



NOW, BLACKHAWK... DEATH COMES, SHARP AND TRUE!



MISSED!



SO, COMRADE KLANG?

IT...IT IS THE FIRST TIME I HAVE EVER MISSED A TARGET! P-PERHAPS MY HAND WAS SWEATING! IT WILL NOT HAPPEN AGAIN!



AIEE! MISSED AGAIN! HOW IS IT POSSIBLE? IT SHALL NOT OCCUR AGAIN!

BLACKHAWK

BUT AGAIN, THE IMPOSSIBLE HAPPENS... AGAIN, AGAIN, AS MOCKING LAUGHTER ARISES FROM THE PEOPLE...

HA, HA! KLANG HAS LOST HIS SKILL! HA, HA!

HO! HO!

FOOL! YOU HAVE MADE THE PARTY A LAUGHING-STOCK!

PLEASE, COMRADE GENERAL... SPARE ME...

YOUR RIDICULOUS ANTICS HAVE PURGED YOU RIGHT OUT OF THE SOVIET PARTY!

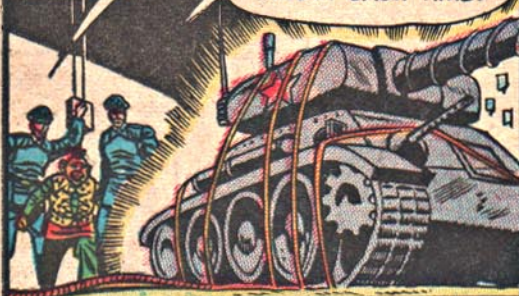
NO! AGHHH!



MEANWHILE INSIDE THE SHED, THE BLACK-HAWKS EMERGE FROM HIDING AND EXPLODE INTO ACTION!

KLANG WILL THROW NO MORE HATCHETS! NOW WE CAN TURN OFF ZE ELECTRIC CURRENT!

YEAH! KLANG NEVER KNEW WE SNEAKED IN HERE AND TURNED A STEEL TANK INTO A HUGE ELECTRO-MAGNET THAT YANKED HIS HATCHETS OFF TARGET EACH TIME!

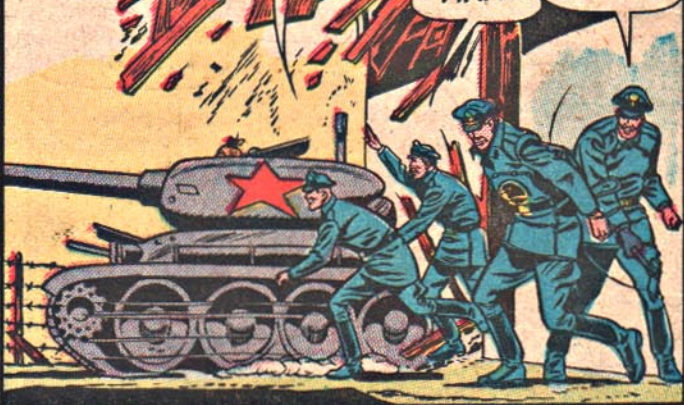


INSTANTLY LATER... THE TANK IS AGAIN CONVERTED BACK TO ITS ORIGINAL PURPOSE AS THE BLACKHAWKS CHARGE!

SMASH INTO 'EM!

HAWKAA-AAA!

YOU ARE NOW FREE, MON AMI!



LOOKS LIKE WE STARTED A SMALL-SCALE REVOLUTION AGAINST THE REDS! PERHAPS IT WILL BE THE START OF A KIND OF CHAIN-REACTION!

AND THE COMRADE GENERAL IS THE NEXT ONE DUE FOR PURGING!



LATER, THE BLACKHAWKS RETURN TO THEIR HIDDEN JETS... MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

WELL, WE HAVE RID CHINA OF A DANGEROUS MURDERER!

YES, WE DESTROYED HIM WITH LAUGHTER AND RIDICULE! THAT'S SOMETHING THE REDS CAN'T TAKE! THEY CAN'T AFFORD A SENSE OF HUMOR...



MISSION of DEATH

NOBODY to this day knows how the Germans managed to create the buzz bomb of the blitz era of World War II. How they were able to pinpoint its course . . . its accurate trajectory in one mighty arc wherein the bomb exploded practically before you could see it. They used to say in England, during the blitz, "If you hear it, you're dead." Because, seconds later, following the explosion, you *were* dead. The thing flew at 600 miles an hour during an air age when 400 miles an hour was a top speed.

But Korea, 1952, was another age completely. Speeds exceeding 600 miles an hour are a dime a dozen. Especially for American planes. This left Red scientific brains with a problem, and Red scientist Vladimir Orloff had a solution.

Orloff had been working with Chi Kuo, eminent Chinese Red physicist for many years trying to penetrate the secret of the Nazi buzz bomb. One summer in 1952, he found the answer. In fact, *more* than an answer. They stumbled upon an **IMPROVEMENT!** They *had* to. American guided missile technique had reached such perfection that buzz bombs didn't have to be seen by the human eye, but by electronic and radar eyes, in order to be located and stopped. Orloff and Kuo therefore came up with a splendid solution to the problem. Their theory was this: in order to avoid destruction by guided missiles they had to insert some means of control within the buzz bomb, so that when the buzz bomb "saw" or registered the presence of some attaching object, it could respond and maneuver away from the enemy. Moreover, this same control element could also guide the buzz bomb downward to score a direct hit on the desired target.

Now what is the most expendable thing in the Red dictatorships? Steel? Radio parts? Timber? No. None of these. Nothing is cheaper in a tyranny than human life. So Orloff and Kuo hit upon a solution no democratic scientist could stumble across—Why not put a *man*—a *pilot*—just behind the warhead—to direct the flight of the bomb directly to its target? Considering the horrifying damage each buzz bomb explosion would make, one human life per explosion would not be too high a price to pay. It was a profitable exchange in mortality, and no bomb would be wasted.

So Orloff and Kuo contacted the Red Chinese air force and asked for a volunteer to fly the first bomb. Of course, the whole matter was hush-hush. None of the seven stalwart volunteers who drew lots for the honor of the assignment knew what the prize was going to be.

The drawing was held and a handsome young MIG pilot named Wu Tsin was the lucky one. Wu

was taken into the airfield experimental laboratory and told of the glory of his selection! He, Wu Tsin, would be the first pilot of a Red buzz bomb that would be aimed at Pusan, U.N. supply center in Southern Korea!

The enthusiastic Orloff and Kuo rattled on about how the bomb worked. How it was fired. How it was maneuvered. How it could avoid guided missile attack. How to steer the bomb straight to its appointed target.

Wu Tsin nodded his head and listened impassively as all these brilliant things were explained to him. From his cool and agreeable demeanor, Orloff and Kuo felt that nothing but superlative performance could come from this excellent flight officer.

So they dined on old wine and rare game and toasted the first pilot who would guide an Orloff-Kuo buzz bomb to its military destiny. They praised Wu Tsin to the skies and that night it was to the *skies* that they sent him, via a rocket take-off from an improvised grandstand on the airfield.

Into the sky zoomed the buzz bomb with Wu at its controls and away it plunged through the heavens . . . toward Pusan . . . as the opening shot of the buzz bomb campaign to drive the U. N. forces off the Korean peninsula. The bomb was at first controlled by the firers. They aimed it and let it go. Then the control passed to the pilot, who, naturally, was in the best position to decide what to do with the bomb when it was aloft. Another thing about the controls—to illustrate the responsibility the high command vested in its buzz bomb pilots—once the control passed to the pilot, it could not be relinquished without his consent. But Wu Tsin was in a very bitter mood as he flew. He reflected on the disregard for human life implicit in this piloting system. He thought of the many hundreds of pilots who would follow in his footsteps unless he did something to dissuade the Red High Command from this plan. Then he made his mind up. He swung the buzz bomb around in a wide arc and returned to the firing point. He headed in the direction of laboratory and the grandstand.

There was a radio communications system between the bomb and the grandstand, so Wu quietly announced his reason for returning. "People who care so little for human life ought not to win. In fact, they ought to die."

Before the Red High Command gathered at the airfield could do anything, the bomb fell! They couldn't see it come. They *heard* it come. They felt it come. It was *very* much on target!

American G-2 now hears that the Red buzz bomb project has been given up. Seems there is a sudden shortage of scientists. . . .

BLACKHAWK

SACRE BLEU!
BLACKHAWK EES
TACKLING ZE GUN
EMPLACEMENT ALONE!

G-GOT TO SMASH
THIS BUNCH UP
BEFORE WE MOVE
FORWARD!



THE WORLD WAS DOOMED! BEYOND ANY DOUBT.. WITHOUT ANY CATACLYSMIC FORCE OF NATURE TO DECIDE IT, THE PLANET EARTH WAS DESTINED TO DIE AS SURELY AS IT HAD LIVED! DESPERATELY THE VALIANT BLACKHAWKS BATTLED SUPREME ODDS TO STAVE OFF DISASTER! AND SMASH THE RUTHLESS VOLTANIAN DICTATOR WHO HAD GIVEN THE WORLD...

TWENTY FOUR HOURS TO DOOM

The
SMALL,
ONCE
PEACEFUL
COUNTRY OF
VOLTANIA
RINGS ITS
BORDERS
WITH
EQUIPMENT
OF WAR
BECOMING
AN
IMPREGNABLE
FORTRESS!
THE
ALARMED
BLACKHAWKS
INVESTI-
GATE!

MACHINE GUNS EVERY
HUNDRED YARDS...
HIGH TENSION WIRES...
AN ARMY MASSED!
WHAT CAN THEES
DICTATOR KARCO
BE UP TO, BLACK-
HAWK?

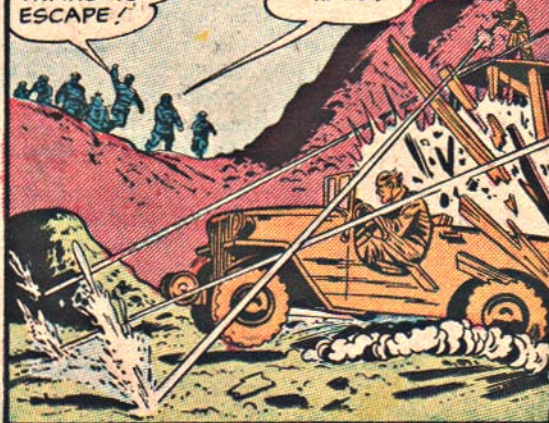
THAT'S WHAT
PUZZLES ME TOO,
ANDRE! HIS
COUNTRY IS NOT
BIG ENOUGH TO WAGE
A MAJOR WAR! YET,
IT SHOWS EVERY
INDICATION OF
DOING SO!



SUDDENLY...

PY YIMMINY! I
BAN THINK
SOMEBODY IS
TRYING TO
ESCAPE!

RIGHT, OLAF... AND IT
WILL BE A MIRACLE IF HE
GETS THROUGH! LET'S
GO, GANG! PERHAPS
WE CAN LEND A
HAND!





HEY, LOOK! DICTATOR KARCO HIMSELF IS IN COMMAND! THAT CHARACTER IN THE JEEP MUST BE A VIP!

JA, CHUCK, HE *ISS* IMPORTANT! KARCO *ISS* GOING TO DER TROUBLE OF ZEROING HIM IN MITT FIELD ARTILLERY!

THEY'LL BLAST HIM SKY HIGH! WE'VE GOT TO WARN HIM!



GET OUT OF THAT JEEP! JUMP! JUMP! THEY'RE ---



...SHELLING YOU!

S-SACRE...TOO LATE!

KA-BOOM!



MOMENTS LATER, AS THE FAMED BLACKHAWKS GROUP ABOUT THE TWISTED BODY...

O-OHHHH!

BLACKHAWK! LET'S NOT HE STILL LIVES! IT IS INCREDIBLE! LET'S NOT LET KARCO KNOW IT, STANISLAUS! HE MAY OPEN UP HIS ARTILLERY ON ALL OF US! GANG! WE'RE GOING TO PLAY A LITTLE GAME OF... "DEAD MAN'S BLUFF"!



SHORTLY, THE BLACKHAWKS TEST THEIR ACTING ABILITY!

IT'S WORKING, A'EN! STEADY... STEADY...

WHY? WHY DID ZEY WANT TO KEEL THEES MAN?



ON THE SAFETY OF A RED CROSS FIELD TENT ANDRE'S QUESTION IS ANSWERED!

K-KARCO... HE HAS GONE MAD! THE DOCTORS HAVE GIVEN HIM BUT ONE MONTH TO LIVE... AND... SO HE INTENDS TO DESTROY THE WORLD! I-I AM PROFESSOR BLANDEAU!

BLANDEAU... OF COURSE! YOU'RE THE ATOMIC ENERGY EXPERT! BUT TELL ME, PROFESSOR, HOW DOES KARCO INTEND TO COMMIT THIS FIENDISH ACT?

IN HIS PRIVATE LABORATORY HE HAS MASTERED THE SECRET OF A DEADLY WEAPON THAT WILL OBLITERATE THE WORLD...A COBALT BOMB!

A... COBALT BOMB! WOW! THAT MAKES THE H-BOMB LOOK LIKE A FIRECRACKER!

BLAN-DEAU! YOU MUST TELL US! WHEN DOES HE INTEND TO DETONATE IT?



IT IS TIME-SET FOR EXACTLY NOON TOMORROW! B-BLACKHAWK... YOU MUST STOP HIM! THE PEOPLE ARE UNAWARE OF THEIR LEADER'S SCHEME...THEY FOLLOW HIM BLINDLY... O-OHHH!

HE'S...GONE! NOW WE KNOW WHY KARCO FORTIFIED HIS BORDER! HE WASN'T LOCKING THE WORLD OUT... HE WAS LOCKING HIS SECRET IN!



THE WORLD IS ON THE SPOT, MEN! IF THE U.W. DISCLOSES KNOWLEDGE OF KARCO'S MAD SCHEME HE MAY DETONATE THE BOMB BEFORE NOON TOMORROW! YET, SILENCE WILL MEAN DOOM!

SACRE! MON AMI... WHAT EES THERE TO DO?



WE HAVE ONE THING IN OUR FAVOR...KARCO IS UNAWARE THAT WE KNOW HIS INTENTIONS! IT'S UP TO US TO SLIP OVER THE BORDER AND DESTROY THAT BOMB BEFORE NOON TOMORROW!

OH, WOES! RACING HANDS ON CLOCK STRANGLING LIFE OF WORLD!



CHOP CHOP IS RIGHT, GANG! IT'S NEARLY MIDNIGHT NOW... THAT GIVES US TWELVE HOURS TO DO THE JOB! LET'S GET TO OUR JETS!

JA WOHL!



LATER, AS SLEEK BLACKHAWK JETS CUT THROUGH THE DARKNESS TOWARD VOLTANIA...

WHEN WE REACH KARCO'S HEADQUARTERS SET JETS ON AUTOMATIC CONTROLS AND BAIL OUT! STANISLAUS! FLY TAIL GUARD! WE MAY RUN INTO TROUBLE WHEN WE REACH THE BORDER!

AS YOU SAY, BLACKHAWK!



TROUBLE IS INDEED AWAITING THE FAMED FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM AT THE BORDER! FOR AS THEY HURTLE OVER THE FRONTIER...

YUMPIN' YIMMINY! AY TANK THEY DO NOT WANT US TO PAY THEM A VISIT, BLACKHAWK!

IT ISN'T A VERY FRIENDLY RECEPTION, OLAF! WE'LL BE PAST THOSE ACK ACK BATTERIES SOON THOUGH!



BUT AS THE BLACKHAWKS THUNDER ON ...

SACRE, BLACKHAWK! I-I KNOW, ZEE BARRAGE IS INCREASING! MY JET...EET IS BEING TORN TO PIECES!

I-I KNOW, ANDRE! AND THERE'S A WALL OF ACK ACK AHEAD OF US! WE'LL NEVER GET THROUGH IT! ONLY ONE THING TO DO!



SCATTER! SCATTER! WE'VE GOT TO GO BACK! THIS IS SUICIDE!



RETURNING TO THEIR BASE, THE DIS-HEARTENED BLACKHAWKS WEIGH THEIR PROBLEM!

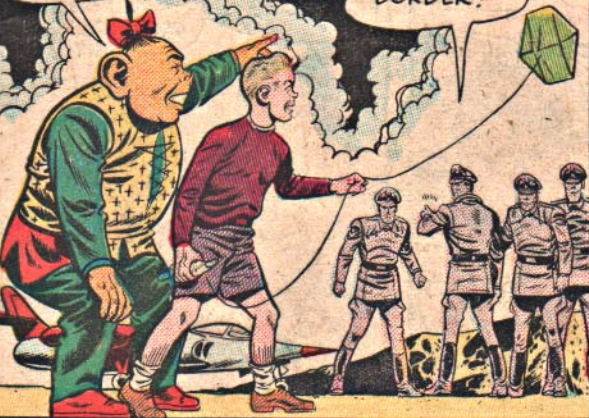
DAWN... ONLY SIX ODD HOURS LEFT AND WE'RE STILL ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE BORDER! BLACKHAWK... PERHAPS A DIRECT FRONTAL ATTACK AGAINST THEM MIGHT BE THE ANSWER!

I DOUBT IT, CHUCK! THEY'VE GOT TOO MUCH POWER MASSED ON THE BORDER! BESIDES, IT WOULD TIP OUR HAND AND KAR-CO WOULD DETONATE THE BOMB! THERE MUST BE SOME WAY...



SEE! KITE FLY LIKE SILENT BIRD! WHEN PULL STING STAY ALOFT MANY HOURS!

KITE... SILENT BIRD! GREAT SCOTT! CHOP CHOP'S GIVEN US THE ANSWER TO GETTING US ACROSS THE BORDER!



THIS I DO NOT UNDERSTAND, BLACKHAWK!

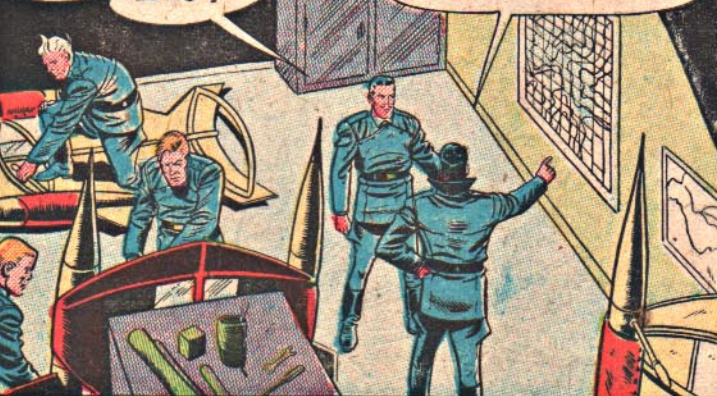
THERE'S NO TIME FOR EXPLANATIONS, GANG! JUST DO AS I SAY... TIME IS RUNNING OUT! WE'VE GOT TO LOCATE ALUMINUM STRUTS AND SHEETS OF PLASTIC ON THE DOUBLE!



SHORTLY, IN AN EMPTY HANGAR...

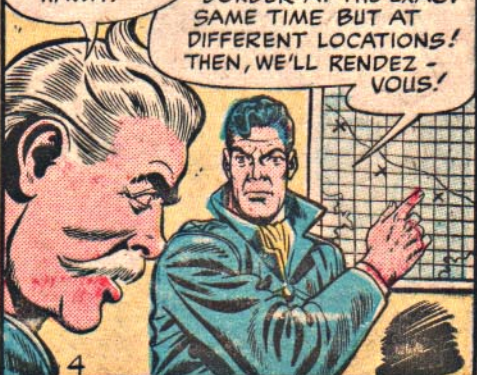
SACRE! WHAT AN IDEA, BLACKHAWK! BUT TELL ME, HOW WEE THEY STAY AIRBORNE SO LONG?

I'VE STUDIED THE WIND CURRENTS IN THE AREA, ANDRE! WE'RE IN LUCK! THERE ARE STRONG PREVAILING WINDS SWEEPING OVER THE BORDER!



GOOT! STILL, SEVEN OF THE KITES FLYING OVER AT ONE TIME MIGHT CREATE SUSPICION, BLACKHAWK!

NO, HENDRICKSON, BECAUSE WE WILL BE LAUNCHED AT FIVE MILE INTERVALS! YOU SEE, BY TAKING OFF SIMULTANEOUSLY WE'LL CROSS THE BORDER AT THE EXACT SAME TIME BUT AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS! THEN, WE'LL RENDEZ-VOUS!



WORKING AGAINST TIME, THE BLACKHAWKS SPEED THEIR PLAN INTO ACTION!

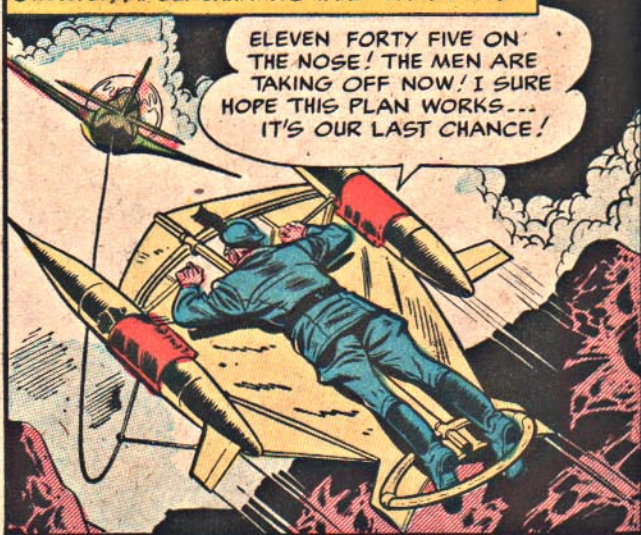
ARMY FIGHTERS WILL SEE THAT YOU'RE AIRBORNE, MEN! AT TEN THOUSAND FEET RELEASE YOUR TOW LINES... MAKE A DIRECT RUN FOR THE BORDER!

RIGHT, BLACKHAWK! WE'LL CONTACT ONE ANOTHER VIA OUR BELT RADIOS WHILE IN THE AIR!



SHORTLY, AT BLACKHAWK'S TAKE-OFF POINT!

ELEVEN FORTY FIVE ON THE NOSE! THE MEN ARE TAKING OFF NOW! I SURE HOPE THIS PLAN WORKS... IT'S OUR LAST CHANCE!

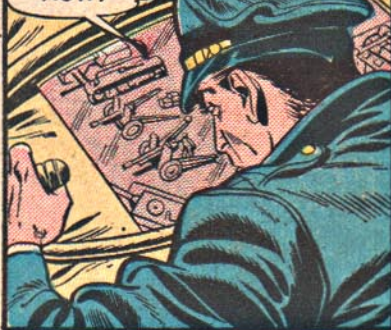


THE PILOT'S GIVING ME THE SIGNAL... I'M AT TEN THOUSAND FEET! TIME TO RELEASE THE TOW LINE! FROM HERE ON IN I'M ON MY OWN!



ON FREE FLIGHT THE STRANGE AIRCRAFT SOARS TOWARD THE BORDER WHERE...

RIGHT ON TOP OF THEM! IF ANYTHING IS GOING TO HAPPEN, IT SHOULD START NOW!



AT THAT MOMENT, AT A VOLTA-NIAN ARTILLERY BATTERY...

A KITE, SIR! CAN WE FIRE AT IT FOR ANTI-AIRCRAFT PRACTICE?

IDIOT! WASTING VALUABLE AMMUNITION ON A CHILD'S KITE!



SUDDENLY...

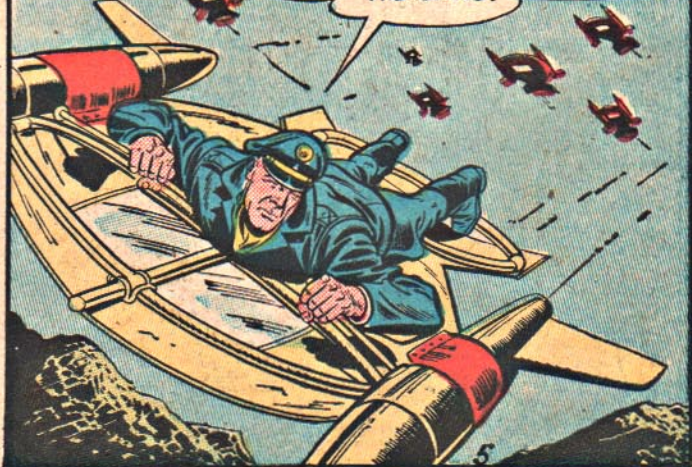
STRANGE KITES IN FORMATION HAVE CROSSED THE BORDER! SHOOT THEM DOWN!

WHA...? MAN YOUR GUNS! HURRY! HURRY!



WHILE ABOVE...

MADE IT! ONLY SEVEN MINUTES LEFT BEFORE THE COBALT BOMB IS DETONATED... GOOD, HERE COMES THE GANG!



Then, AS THE BLACKHAWK LEADER SPEAKS TO HIS MEN...

KARCO'S HIDE-OUT IS OVER THE CREST OF THE HILL, GANG! GUIDE YOUR KITES IN FORMATION AND... **GREAT CATS!**

SACRE BLEU, BLACKHAWK, ZEY HAVE A RING OF ARTILLERY ON ZE HILLTOP! HOW CAN WE GET ZE KITES THROUGH?

CHUCK! CHUCK! HANG ON... GUIDE YOUR KITE TO A CRASH LANDING AT THE FOOT OF THE HILL! ANDRE! YOU'RE RIGHT... THESE FRAGILE CRAFTS WILL NEVER MAKE IT! GANG, EVERYONE CRASH LAND NEAR CHUCK!

DOWN, DOWN BLACKHAWK LEADS HIS FLOATING "SQUADRON" OF JUSTICE!

ACH! BLACKHAWK IS TRYING TO CLEAN OUT DER NEST OF VOLTANIAN SOLDIERS IN OUR REAR!



HURRY, GANG! WE'VE ONLY PRECIOUS MINUTES LEFT TO FIGHT OUR WAY OVER THAT HILLTOP TO KARCO'S HEAD-QUARTERS!

WE MUST NOT WASTE A SECOND!

OH, VELLY NEAR BANG BANG TIME!



VOILA! HERE ZEY COME!

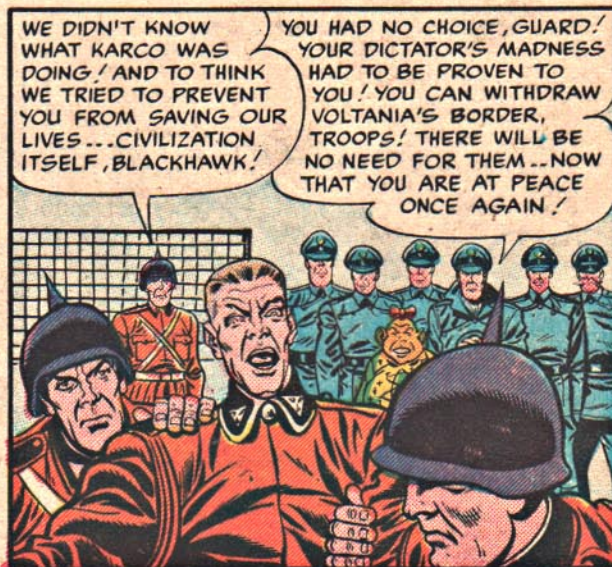
G-GOOD GRIEF! LESS THAN FOUR MINUTES BEFORE KARCO EXPLODES HIS COBALT BOMB!



OLAF... A MINUTE TO GO! I'VE GOT TO MAKE A BREAK FOR KARCO'S HEADQUARTERS NOW!

GOOD! I BAN TRY TO BREAK A PATH THROUGH FOR YOU!







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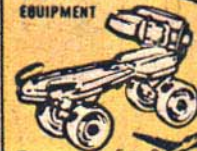
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PLANE FLIES
500 FEET!



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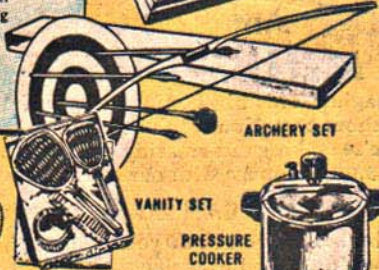
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